

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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The following bill was reported to the House from the Senate and ordered to be printed.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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1		AN ACT relating to physicians.
2	Be i	t enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS 311.530 TO 311.620 IS CREATED
4	TO	READ AS FOLLOWS:
5	<u>(1)</u>	As used in this section:
6		(a) "Continuing medical education" means continued postgraduate medical
7		education intended to provide medical professionals with knowledge of new
8		developments in their field;
9		(b) "Maintenance of certification" means any process requiring periodic
10		recertification examinations to maintain specialty medical board
11		certification;
12		(c) "Maintenance of licensure" means the proprietary framework for physician
13		license renewal established through the Federation of State Medical Boards
14		or its successor organization, which includes additional periodic testing
15		other than continuing medical education; and
16		(d) "Specialty medical board certification" means certification by a board that
17		specializes in one (1) particular area of medicine and typically requires
18		additional and more strenuous examinations than the State Board of
19		Medical Licensure's requirements to practice medicine.
20	<u>(2)</u>	The board shall not require any form of maintenance of licensure as a condition
21		of physician licensure, including requiring any form of maintenance of licensure
22		tied to maintenance of certification. The board's regular requirements, including
23		continuing medical education, shall suffice to demonstrate professional
24		competency.
25	<u>(3)</u>	The board shall not require any form of specialty medical board certification or
26		any maintenance of certification to practice medicine in Kentucky.

President of Senate

Speaker House of Representatives

Attest: Chief Clery of Senate

Approved Governor

Date 8 APRIL 2016